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The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Application of FRC, LLC, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access Services throughout the State of

South Carolina and Request for Flexible Regulation

Docket No. 2008-49-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Please find enclosed for filing on behalf of the South Carolina Telephone Coalition, a Stipulation in the above-referenced matter. By copy of this letter and Certificate of Service, all parties of record are being served by U.S. Mail with a copy of this Stipulation.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours, Mayautlu. Fax

Margaret M. Fox

MMF/rwm Enclosures

cc: Parties of Record

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

Docket No. 2008-49-C

Application of FRC, LLC, for a Certificate of Public)	
Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange	
and Exchange Access Services throughout the State of South)	STIPULATION
Carolina and Request for Flexible Regulation)	

The South Carolina Telephone Coalition ("SCTC") (see attachment "A" for list of companies) and FRC, LLC ("FRC") hereby enter into the following stipulations. As a consequence of these stipulations and conditions, SCTC does not oppose FRC's Application. SCTC and FRC stipulate and agree as follows:

- 1. SCTC does not oppose the granting of a statewide Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to FRC, provided the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") makes the necessary findings to justify granting of such a certificate, and provided the conditions contained within this stipulation are met.
- 2. FRC stipulates and agrees that any Certificate which may be granted will authorize FRC to provide service only to customers located in non-rural local exchange company ("LEC") service areas of South Carolina, except as provided herein.
- 3. FRC stipulates that it is not asking the Commission to make a finding at this time regarding whether competition is in the public interest for rural areas.
- 4. FRC stipulates and agrees that it will not provide any local service, by its own facilities or otherwise, to any customer located in a rural incumbent LEC's service area, unless and until FRC provides such rural incumbent LEC and the Commission with written notice of its intent to do so at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the intended service. During such notice period, the rural incumbent LEC will have the opportunity to petition the Commission to exercise all rights

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afforded it under Federal and State law. Also, FRC acknowledges that the Commission may suspend the intended date for service in rural LEC territory for ninety (90) days while the Commission conducts any proceeding incident to the Petition or upon the Commission's own Motion, provided that the Commission can further suspend the implementation date upon showing of good cause.

- 5. FRC stipulates and agrees that, if FRC gives notice that it intends to serve a customer located in a rural incumbent LEC's service area, and either (a) the Commission receives a Petition from the rural incumbent LEC to exercise its rights under Federal or State law within such 30-day period, or (b) the Commission institutes a proceeding of its own, then FRC will not provide service to any customer located within the service area in question without prior and further Commission approval.
- 6. FRC acknowledges that any right which it may have or acquire to serve a rural telephone company service area in South Carolina is subject to the conditions contained herein, and to any future policies, procedures, and guidelines relevant to such proposed service which the Commission may implement, so long as such policies, procedures, and guidelines do not conflict with Federal or State law.
- 7. The parties stipulate and agree that all rights under Federal and State law are reserved to the rural incumbent LECs and FRC, and this Stipulation in no way suspends or adversely affects such rights, including any exemptions, suspensions, or modifications to which they may be entitled.
- 8. FRC agrees to abide by all State and Federal laws and to participate, to the extent it may be required to do so by the Commission, in the support of universally available telephone service at affordable rates.
- 9. FRC hereby amends its application and its prefiled testimony in this docket to the extent necessary to conform with this Stipulation.

_ day of April, 2008. AGREED AND STIPULATED to this

FRC, LLC:

South Carolina Telephone Coalition:

By: Margaret M. Fox, Esquire McNair Law Firm, P.A.

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ATTACHMENT A

South Carolina Telephone Coalition Member Companies for Purposes of Local Service Stipulation

Chesnee Telephone Company

Chester Telephone Company

Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Ft. Mill Telephone Company

Home Telephone Company, Inc.

Lancaster Telephone Company

Lockhart Telephone Company

McClellanville Telephone Company

Norway Telephone Company

Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Pond Branch Telephone Company

Ridgeway Telephone Company

Rock Hill Telephone Company

Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

St. Stephen Telephone Company

West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Williston Telephone Company

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	Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange)	CERTIFICATE
	and Exchange Access Services throughout the State of)	OF SERVICE
	South Carolina and Request for Flexible Regulation)	

This is to certify that I, Rebecca W. Martin, an employee with the McNair Law Firm, P. A., have this date served one (1) copy of the attached Stipulation in the above-referenced matter to the person named below by causing said copy to be deposited with the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below.

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